## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

1. (Currently Amended) A compound for <del>The</del> use as a plant fungicide <del>of a compound</del> of the general formula (1):

$$X \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow R^3 \longrightarrow R^4$$

$$Y \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow R^2 \longrightarrow R^5$$

$$(1)$$

wherein

X, Y and Z are independently H, halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl, halo( $C_{2-4}$ )alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy, -S(O)<sub>n</sub>( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2 and the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, -OSO<sub>2</sub>( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl where the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, cyano, nitro,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxycarbonyl, -CONR'R", -COR', -NR'COR" or -NR'COOR" where R' and R" are independently H or  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl and R" is  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, provided that at least one of X and Z is other than H;  $R^1$  is a straight-chain  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl group;

 $R^2$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxymethyl or benzyloxymethyl in which the phenyl ring of the benzyl moiety is optionally substituted with  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy;

 $R^3$  and  $R^4$  are independently H,  $C_{1:3}$  alkyl,  $C_{2:3}$  alkenyl or  $C_{2:3}$  alkynyl provided that both are not H and that when both are other than H their combined total of carbon atoms does not exceed 4. or

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> join with the carbon atom to which they are attached to form a 3 or 4 membered carbocyclic ring optionally containing one O, S or N atom and optionally substituted with halo or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl; and

 $R^5$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl in which the alkyl or cycloalkyl group is optionally substituted with halo, hydroxy,  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy, cyano,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylcarbonyloxy, aminocarbonyloxy, mono- or  $di(C_{1-4})$ alkylaminocarbonyloxy,  $-S(O)_n(C_{1-6})$ alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2, triazolyl,  $tri(C_{1-4})$ -alkylsilyloxy, optionally substituted phenoxy, optionally substituted thienyloxy, optionally substituted benzyloxy or optionally substituted thienylmethoxy, or

R<sup>5</sup> is optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted thienyl or optionally substituted benzyl.

in which the optionally substituted phenyl and thienyl rings of the R<sup>5</sup> values are optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from halo, hydroxy, mercapto, C<sub>1-4</sub>

alkyl,  $C_{2\cdot4}$  alkenyl,  $C_{2\cdot4}$  alkynyl,  $C_{1\cdot4}$  alkoxy,  $C_{2\cdot4}$  alkenyloxy,  $C_{2\cdot4}$  alkynyloxy, halo( $C_{1\cdot4}$ )alkyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, benzyloxy, cyano, isocyano, thiocyanato, isothiocyanato, nitro,  $-NR^mR^n$ ,  $-NHCOR^m$ ,  $-NHCONR^mR^n$ ,  $-CONR^mR^n$ ,  $-SO_2R^m$ ,  $-OSO_2R^m$ ,  $-COR^m$ ,  $-CR^m$ =NR^n or -N=CR^mR^n, in which  $R^m$  and  $R^n$  are independently hydrogen,  $C_{1\cdot4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1\cdot4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{1\cdot4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1\cdot4}$ )alkoxy,  $C_{1\cdot4}$  alkylthio,  $C_{3\cdot6}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{3\cdot6}$  cycloalkyl( $C_{1\cdot4}$ )alkyl, phenyl or benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl groups being optionally substituted with halogen,  $C_{1\cdot4}$  alkyl or  $C_{1\cdot4}$  alkoxy.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The <u>compound of claim 1</u> use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to claim 1 wherein X, Y and Z are all chloro or methyl, or X and Z are both chloro or bromo and Y is H or methyl, or X and Z are both methyl or methoxy and Y is H, chloro, bromo or alkylthio, or X is methoxy, Y is H and Z is cyano or chloro, or X is methyl, Y is H and Z is ethyl, or X is chloro, bromo or trifluoromethyl and both Y and Z are H.
- (Currently Amended) The compound of claim 1 use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to claim 1 or 2 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is methyl, ethyl, n-propyl, or nbutyl.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The <u>compound of claim 1</u> use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to claim 1 or 2 wherein R<sup>1</sup> is methyl or ethyl.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The <u>compound of claim 1</u> use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to any one of the preceding claims wherein R<sup>2</sup> is H.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The <u>compound of claim 1</u> use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to any one of the preceding claims wherein both R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are methyl.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The <u>compound of claim 1</u> use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to any one of the preceding claims wherein R<sup>5</sup> is H, methyl, hydroxymethyl, methoxymethyl, 1-methoxyethyl, *tert*-butyldimethylsilyloxymethyl, 3-cyanopropyl, 3-(1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)propyl, 3-methylthiopropyl, 3-methanesulphinylpropyl or 3-methanesulphonylpropyl.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The <u>compound of claim 1</u> use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to claim-1 wherein

X, Y and Z are independently H, halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl, halo( $C_{2-4}$ )alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy, -S(O)<sub>n</sub>( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2 and the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, -OSO<sub>2</sub>( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl where the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, cyano, nitro,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxycarbonyl, -CONR'R", -COR' or -NR'COR" where R' and R" are independently H or  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, provided that at least one of X and Z is other than H;

R¹ is a straight-chain C₁₄ alkyl group;

 $R^2$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxymethyl or benzyloxymethyl in which the phenyl ring of the benzyl moiety is optionally substituted with  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy;

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub> alkenyl or C<sub>2-3</sub> alkynyl provided that both are not H and that when both are other than H their combined total of carbon atoms does not exceed 4. or

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> join with the carbon atom to which they are attached to form a 3 or 4 membered carbocyclic ring optionally containing one O, S or N atom and optionally substituted with halo or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl; and

 $R^5$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl in which the alkyl or cycloalkyl group is optionally substituted with halo, hydroxy,  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy,  $C_{1-6}$  alkylthio, cyano,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylcarbonyloxy, aminocarbonyloxy or mono- or di( $C_{1-4}$ )alkylaminocarbonyloxy, tri( $C_{1-4}$ )-alkylsilyloxy, optionally substituted phenoxy, optionally substituted thienyloxy, optionally substituted benzyloxy or optionally substituted thienylmethoxy, or

R<sup>5</sup> is optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted thienyl or optionally substituted benzyl,

in which the optionally substituted phenyl and thienyl rings of the  $R^5$  values are optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from halo, hydroxy, mercapto,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyloxy,  $C_{2-4}$  alkynyloxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkylthio, hydroxy( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,

 $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, benzoyloxy, cyano, isocyano, thiocyanato, isothiocyanato, nitro, -NR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -NHCOR<sup>m</sup>, -NHCONR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -CONR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>m</sup>, -OSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>m</sup>, -COR<sup>m</sup>, -CR<sup>m</sup>=NR<sup>n</sup> or -N=CR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, in which R<sup>m</sup> and R<sup>n</sup> are independently hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylthio,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, phenyl or benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl groups being optionally substituted with halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy.

- 9. (Currently Amended) The <u>compound of claim 1</u> use as a plant fungicide of a compound of the general formula (1) according to claim 1 wherein X, Y and Z are all chloro or methyl, or X and Z are both chloro or bromo and Y is H or methyl, or X and Z are both methyl or methoxy and Y is H, chloro, bromo or alkylthio, or X is methoxy, Y is H and Z is cyano or chloro, or X is methyl, Y is H and Z is ethyl, or X is chloro, bromo or trifluoromethyl and both Y and Z are H; R<sup>1</sup> is methyl, ethyl, n-propyl or n-butyl; R<sup>2</sup> is H; R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are both methyl; and R<sup>5</sup> is H, methyl, hydroxymethyl, methoxymethyl, 1-methoxyethyl, tent-butyldimethylsilyloxymethyl, 3-cyanopropyl, 3-(1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)propyl, 3-methylthiopropyl, 3-methanesulphinylpropyl.
- 10. (Original) A compound of the general formula (1):

$$X \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow R^3 \longrightarrow R^4$$

$$Y \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow Q \longrightarrow R^2 \longrightarrow R^5$$

$$(1)$$

## wherein

X, Y and Z are independently H, halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl, halo( $C_{2-4}$ )alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy, -S(O)<sub>n</sub>( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2 and the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, -OSO<sub>2</sub>( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl where the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, cyano, nitro,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxycarbonyl, -CONR'R", -COR', -NR'COR" or -NR'COOR" where R' and R" are independently H or  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl and R" is  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, provided that at least one of X and Z is other than H;  $R^1$  is a straight-chain  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl group;

 $R^2$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxymethyl or benzyloxymethyl in which the phenyl ring of the benzyl moiety is optionally substituted with  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy;

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub> alkenyl or C<sub>2-3</sub> alkynyl provided that both are not H and that when both are other than H their combined total of carbon atoms does not

### exceed 4, or

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> join with the carbon atom to which they are attached to form a 3 or 4 membered carbocyclic ring optionally containing one O, S or N atom and optionally substituted with halo or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl; and

 $R^5$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl in which the alkyl or cycloalkyl group is optionally substituted with halo, hydroxy,  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy, cyano,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylcarbonyloxy, aminocarbonyloxy, mono- or  $di(C_{1-4})$ alkylaminocarbonyloxy,  $-S(O)_n(C_{1-6})$ alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2, triazolyl,  $tri(C_1-4)$ -alkylsilyloxy, optionally substituted phenoxy, optionally substituted thienyloxy, optionally substituted benzyloxy or optionally substituted thienylmethoxy, or

R<sup>5</sup> is optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted thienyl or optionally substituted benzyl.

in which the optionally substituted phenyl and thienyl rings of the  $R^5$  values are optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from halo, hydroxy, mercapto,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, benzoyloxy, cyano, isocyano, thiocyanato, isothiocyanato, nitro,  $-NR^mR^n$ ,  $-NHCOR^m$ ,  $-NHCONR^mR^n$ ,  $-CONR^mR^n$ ,  $-SO_2R^m$ ,  $-CSO_2R^m$ ,  $-COR^m$ ,  $-CR^m$ = $NR^n$  or -N= $CR^mR^n$ , in which  $R^m$  and  $R^n$  are independently hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylthio,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, phenyl or benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl groups being optionally substituted with halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy;

provided that R<sup>5</sup> is not H when (i) X, Z, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are all methyl and Y, and R<sup>2</sup> are both H, (ii) X, Z, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are all methyl, Y is chloro, R<sup>1</sup> is ethyl and R<sup>2</sup> is H, (iii) X and Z are both chloro, R<sup>1</sup> is methyl or ethyl, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are both methyl and Y and R<sup>2</sup> are both H, (iv) X, Y and Z are all chloro, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are all methyl and R<sup>2</sup> is H, and (v) Y is chloro, Z is trifluoromethyl, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are all methyl and X and R<sup>2</sup> are both H.

# 11. (Original) A compound of the general formula (1):

$$X \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow R^3 \longrightarrow R^4$$

$$Y \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow (1)$$

$$X \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow R^3 \longrightarrow R^4$$

$$R^5 \longrightarrow R^5$$

#### wherein

X, Y and Z are independently H, fluoro, bromo, iodo, C<sub>2-4</sub> alkyl, halo(C<sub>1-4</sub>)alkyl, C<sub>2-4</sub> alkenyl,

halo( $C_{2-4}$ )alkenyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkynyl, halo( $C_{2-4}$ )alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy, -  $S(O)_n(C_{1-4})$ alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2 and the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, -  $OSO_2(C_{1-4})$ alkyl where the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, cyano, nitro,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxycarbonyl, -CONR'R'', -COR', -NR'COR'' or -NR'COOR''' where R' and R'' are independently H or  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl and R''' is  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, provided that at least one of X and Z is other than H;

R<sup>1</sup> is a straight-chain C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl group;

 $R^2$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxymethyl or benzyloxymethyl in which the phenyl ring of the benzyl moiety is optionally substituted with  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy;

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> are independently H, C<sub>1-3</sub> alkyl, C<sub>2-3</sub> alkenyl or C<sub>2-3</sub> alkynyl provided that both are not H and that when both are other than H their combined total of carbon atoms does not exceed 4, or

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> join with the carbon atom to which they are attached to form a 3 or 4 membered carbocyclic ring optionally containing one O, S or N atom and optionally substituted with halo or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl; and

 $R^5$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl in which the alkyl or cycloalkyl group is optionally substituted with halo, hydroxy,  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy, cyano,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylcarbonyloxy, aminocarbonyloxy, mono- or di( $C_{1-4}$ )alkylaminocarbonyloxy, -S(O)<sub>n</sub>( $C_{1-6}$ )alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2, triazolyl (e.g. 1,2,4-triazol-1-yl), tri( $C_{1-4}$ )-alkylsilyloxy, optionally substituted phenoxy, optionally substituted thienyloxy, optionally substituted benzyloxy or optionally substituted thienylmethoxy, or  $R^5$  is optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted thienyl or optionally substituted benzyl,

in which the optionally substituted phenyl and thienyl rings of the  $R^5$  values are optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from halo, hydroxy, mercapto,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyloxy,  $C_{2-4}$  alkynyloxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkylthio, hydroxy( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, benzoyloxy, cyano, isocyano, thiocyanato, isothiocyanato, nitro, -NR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -NHCOR<sup>m</sup>, -NHCONR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -CONR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>m</sup>, -OSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>m</sup>, -COR<sup>m</sup>, -CR<sup>m</sup>=NR<sup>n</sup> or -N=CR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, in which R<sup>m</sup> and R<sup>n</sup> are independently hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylthio,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, phenyl or benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl groups being optionally substituted with halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy.

# 12. (Original) A compound of the general formula (1):

$$X \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow R^3 \longrightarrow R^4$$

$$Y \longrightarrow Z \longrightarrow (1)$$

$$X \longrightarrow O \longrightarrow R^3 \longrightarrow R^4$$

$$R^5$$

### wherein

X, Y and Z are independently H, halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl, halo( $C_{2-4}$ )alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy, -S(O)<sub>n</sub>( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2 and the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, -OSO<sub>2</sub>( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl where the alkyl group is optionally substituted with fluoro, cyano, nitro,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxycarbonyl, -CONR'R", -COR', -NR'COR" or -NR'COOR" where R' and R" are independently H or  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl and R" is  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, provided that at least one of X and Z is other than H;  $R^1$  is a straight-chain  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl group;

 $R^2$  is H,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxymethyl or benzyloxymethyl in which the phenyl ring of the benzyl moiety is optionally substituted with  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy;

 $R^3$  and  $R^4$  are independently H,  $C_{1-3}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-3}$  alkenyl or  $C_{2-3}$  alkynyl provided that both are not H and that when both are other than H their combined total of carbon atoms does not exceed 4, or

R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> join with the carbon atom to which they are attached to form a 3 or 4 membered carbocyclic ring optionally containing one O, S or N atom and optionally substituted with halo or C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl; and

 $R^5$  is  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl in which the alkyl or cycloalkyl group is optionally substituted with halo, hydroxy,  $C_{1-6}$  alkoxy, cyano,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylcarbonyloxy, aminocarbonyloxy, mono- or  $di(C_{1-4})$ alkylaminocarbonyloxy, -S(O)<sub>n</sub>(C<sub>1-6</sub>)alkyl where n is 0, 1 or 2, triazolyl (e.g. 1,2,4-triazol-1-yl),  $tri(C_{1-4})$ -alkylsilyloxy, optionally substituted phenoxy, optionally substituted thienyloxy, optionally substituted benzyloxy or optionally substituted thienylmethoxy, or  $R^5$  is optionally substituted phenyl, optionally substituted thienyl or optionally substituted benzyl,

in which the optionally substituted phenyl and thienyl rings of the  $R^5$  values are optionally substituted with one, two or three substituents selected from halo, hydroxy, mercapto,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyl,  $C_{2-4}$  alkynyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy,  $C_{2-4}$  alkenyloxy,  $C_{2-4}$  alkynyloxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkylthio, hydroxy( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, phenoxy, benzyloxy, benzoyloxy, cyano, isocyano, thiocyanato, isothiocyanato, nitro, -NR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -NHCOR<sup>m</sup>, -NHCONR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -CONR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>m</sup>,

- -OSO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>m</sup>, -COR<sup>m</sup>, -CR<sup>m</sup>=NR<sup>n</sup> or -N=CR<sup>m</sup>R<sup>n</sup>, in which R<sup>m</sup> and R<sup>n</sup> are independently hydrogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl,  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy, halo( $C_{1-4}$ )alkoxy,  $C_{1-4}$  alkylthio,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{3-6}$  cycloalkyl( $C_{1-4}$ )alkyl, phenyl or benzyl, the phenyl and benzyl groups being optionally substituted with halogen,  $C_{1-4}$  alkyl or  $C_{1-4}$  alkoxy.
- 13. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 10 er 12 wherein X, Y and Z are all chloro or methyl, or X and Z are both chloro or bromo and Y is H or methyl, or X and Z are both methyl or methoxy and Y is H, chloro, bromo or alkylthio, or X is methoxy, Y is H and Z is cyano or chloro, or X is methyl, Y is H and Z is ethyl, or X is chloro, bromo or trifluoromethyl and both Y and Z are H; R¹ is methyl, ethyl, n-propyl or n-butyl; R² is H; R³ and R⁴ are both methyl; and R⁵ is methyl, hydroxymethyl, methoxymethyl, 1-methoxyethyl, tent-butyldimethylsilyloxymethyl, 3-cyanopropyl, 3-(1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)propyl, 3-methylthiopropyl, 3-methanesulphinylpropyl or 3-methanesulphonylpropyl.
- 14. (Original) A process for preparing a compound of the general formula (1) as defined in claim1 as herein described.
- (Original) A fungicidal composition comprising a fungicidally effective amount of a compound of the general formula (1) as defined in claim 1 and a suitable carrier or diluent therefor.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A method of combating or controlling phytopathogenic fungi which comprises applying a fungicidally effective amount of a compound of the general formula (1) as defined in claim 1 or a composition according to claim 15 to a plant, to a seed of a plant, to the locus of the plant or seed or to soil or any other plant growth medium.
- 17. (New) A compound according to claim 40-or 12 wherein X, Y and Z are all chloro or methyl, or X and Z are both chloro or bromo and Y is H or methyl, or X and Z are both methyl or methoxy and Y is H, chloro, bromo or alkylthio, or X is methoxy, Y is H and Z is cyano or chloro, or X is methyl, Y is H and Z is ethyl, or X is chloro, bromo or trifluoromethyl and both Y and Z are H; R¹ is methyl, ethyl, n-propyl or n-butyl; R² is H; R³ and R⁴ are both methyl; and R⁵ is methyl, hydroxymethyl, methoxymethyl, 1-methoxyethyl, tert-butyldimethyl-silyloxymethyl, 3-cyanopropyl, 3-(1,2,4-triazol-1-yl)propyl, 3-methylthiopropyl, 3-methanesulphinylpropyl or 3-methanesulphonylpropyl.

18. (New) A method of combating or controlling phytopathogenic fungi which comprises applying a fungicidally effective amount of a compound of the general formula (1) as defined in claim 1 or a composition according to claim 15 to a plant, to a seed of a plant, to the locus of the plant or seed or to soil or any other plant growth medium.